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SUBJ: US TROPICAL PRODUCTS (TP) OFFER

REF: WALKER/LANDE TELCONS 4/5 AND 4/6

1. US MTN DEL PLANS TO DELIVER NOT LATER THAN COB APRIL 7
US GLOBAL TP OFFER TO GATT SECRETARIAT FOR CIRCULATION
TO ALL PARTICIPANTS PURSUANT TO PARA 11 CHAIRMAN' SUMMING
OF FEB 16-18 TP MEETING (MTN/TP/5). BELIEVE SUCH CIRCULATION
WITHIN CURRENT INSTRUCTIONS (STATE 35177, 48304, 67812,
78924). US GLOBAL OFFER WILL BE IN SAME FORMAT AS
PREVIOUS BILATERAL CIRCULATION, HAVE SAME HEADNOTE, WITH
AN ADDITIONAL COLUMN IN WHICH MAXIMUM US OFFER WILL BE
IDENTIFIED. GSP COLUMN WILL HAVE FOOTNOTE NOTING THAT GSP
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TREATMENT APPLIES TO ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES AS DEFINED IN

TITLE V OF TRADE ACT AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS 11888, 11906.
OFFER WILL BE TREATED BY GATT UNDER PREVIOUS PROCEDURES
FOR CONFIDENTIALITY.

2. WE ARE TAKING THIS STEP NOW FOR SEVERAL REASONS INCLUDING: EC OFFER EXPECTED TO BE TABLED APRIL 6 OR 7; ALL OTHER DC'S (EXCEPT NEW ZEALAND WHICH HAS NOT YET TABLED AN OFFER) HAVE IN ONE FORM OR ANOTHER CIRCULATED GLOBAL OFFERS; THERE IS INCREASING LDC PRESSURE TO CONVENE A TP MEETING TO AIR THEIR DISSATISFACTION WITH NON-SPECIFIC US OFFER AS CONTRARY TO AGREED PROCEDURES. ABSENCE OF EC OFFER UNTIL THIS WEEK HAS BEEN A MAJOR FACTOR IN RESTRAINING LDC'S FROM INSISTING ON SPECIAL MEETING OF TP GROUP.

3. IN CIRCULATING GLOBAL OFFER, US WOULD UNDERCUT OSTENSIBLE LDC RATIONALE FOR CALLING TPG MEETING THIS MONTH. AVOIDANCE OF AN APRIL TP MEETING CONSIDERED IMPORTANT BY MTN DEL IN ORDER TO AVOID "POLITICAL REVIEW" OF DC OFFERS ON EVE OF UNCTAD IV. IN ADDITION US MOVE PREVENTS INFORMAL STUDIES COMPARING DC OFFERS BASED ON FULL OFFERS OF OTHER DC'S, BUT ONLY PARTIAL VIEW OF US OFFER.

4. MOST ORIGINAL OBJECTIVES OF BILATERAL TRADE INTEREST CIRCULATION HAVE BEEN MET INCLUDING INITIAL BILATERAL FOCUS OF NEGOTIATIONS. OBJECTIVE OF PREVENTING INFORMAL COMPARISONS HAS BEEN CONFOUNDED BY GLOBAL CIRCULATION BY OUR DC PARTNERS. OBJECTIVE OF BILATERAL REACTIONS PRIOR TO MAY 15 TARGET FOR CIRCULATING SPECIFIC GLOBAL TP OFFER NOW UNREALISTIC GIVEN CURRENT TIMING OF BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS AND LDC FOCUS IN GENEVA NAD CAPITALS ON PREPARATIONS FOR UNCTAD IV.

5. FORMAT CAREFULLY PRESERVES US POSITION THAT EXTENT OF TARIFF CONCESSIONS WE ARE PREPARED TO MAKE DEPENDS UPON EXTENT OF LDC CONTRIBUTIONS. FULL TEXT OF HEADNOTE BEING INCORPORATED ON EACH PAGE OF LIST AND DISTRIBUTION WILL BE MADE UNDER COVER LETTER INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE HEADNOTE AND CHARACTERIZING NEW SUBMISSION AS SPECIFYING "MAXIMUM DEPTH OF CUT THE US IS PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE..."
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6. REQUIRE RESPONSE TO MTN DEL 2590 ASAP. WALKER

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